1803. NOVEMBER. LAWS OF MARYLAND.

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Hammond may build a bridge, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said Margaret and Harriet Hammond shall have full power and authority to build and erect, at the place commonly called Hammond's Ferry, on Patapsco river, a bridge across the river Patapsco, which said bridge, when erected, shall be of sufficient width for all carriages to pass and repass over the same; and it shall and may be lawful for the said Margaret Hammond and Harriet Hammond, and all and every person and persons claiming under them, to ask, demand and receive, for the term of twenty-five years hereafter, as toll or a compensation for the safe transportation over the said bridge, according to the following rates, to wit: A single person, three cents; a man or woman and horse, twelve and a half cents; a four wheeled carriage of pleasure or burthen, with four horses, oxen or mules, and the driver, if loaded, sixty-two and a half cents, if light, forty cents; a carriage with two wheels and one horse, twenty cents; a cart with two wheels, with two or more horses, oxen or mules, and the driver, if loaded, thirty-seven and a half cents, if light, thirty cents; horned cattle, each four cents; horses, each six cents, sheep and hogs, each two cents.

And make a causeway, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said Margaret and Harriet Hammond, and their assigns, shall have full power and authority to make a causeway, by filling up the shoals and flats on the south side of said river to the channel thereof; provided, that the said channel be kept open two hundred feet wide at least; and provided always, and it is the true intent and meaning of this act, that the said Margaret and Harriet Hammond, and all persons claiming under them, shall not be permitted, in virtue of any power vested in them by this act, to obstruct, or in any manner impede, the passing and repassing of any vessels of any size, description or name, up and down the said river Patapsco, but that the said Margaret and Harriet Hammond, and all those claiming under them, shall be obliged to have a free passage kept open, either by a drawbridge or otherwise, for all vessels of every size or description to pass and repass through the said bridge; and provided also, that the said Margaret and Harriet Hammond, or their assigns, shall enter into bond, with security, to be approved of by Baltimore county court, to finish the said bridge within the term of three years, and keep the same in repair during the term of twenty-five years, and to comply with the terms and conditions enjoined on them by this act.

Not to affect the rights of others, &c. IV. And, whereas the said Margaret Hammond and Harriet Hammond own and possess the land on the south side of the said river Patapsco only, on which it is contemplated to erect the said bridge, Be it enacted, That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to affect the rights of any other person or persons, or in any manner to enable the said Margaret and Harriet Hammond, or any person who may claim under them, to build or erect the same, without first obtaining the consent and approbation of the proprietor or proprietors of the land on the north side of the said river, in which the said bridge is also to be erected.

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Passed 7th of January, 1804.

An ACT to authorise the levy court of Anne-Arundel county to assess and levy a sum of money for the purposes therein mentioned.

Preamble.

HEREAS it has been represented to this general assembly, by the several petitions of James Reewarck and William Cox, of Anne-Arundel county, that they were soldiers in the late American army, and that in consequence of wounds which they received while in the service of their country, they are rendered unable to support themselves by labour; therefore,

Money to be levied, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the levy court of Anne-Arundel county shall be and are hereby directed and empowered, at their levy court annually, to assess and levy on said county a sum of money, not exceeding thirty dollars, for the support and maintenance of each of them the said James Reewarck and William Cox, and that the same to be collected and paid annually to the said James Reewarck and William Cox, by the collector of Anne-Arundel county, agreeable to the order of the levy court aforesaid.

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Fassed 7th of January, 1804.

An ACT to increase the tolls on the Susquehanna canal, and to repeal the third section of an act, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for making the river Susquehanna navigable from the line of this state to tide water.

Preamble.

HEREAS the proprietors of the Susquehanna canal have consented and agreed to relinquish the half tolls heretofore conditionally granted upon the bed of the said river, upon the tolls